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29 MAY 1964



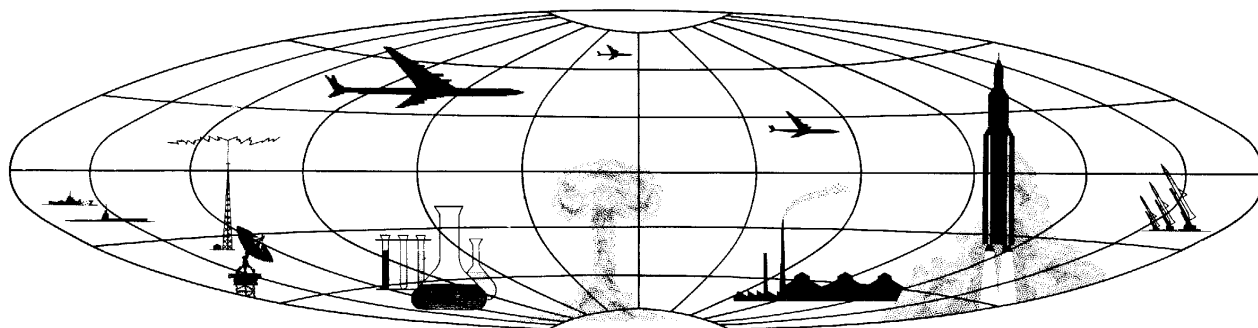
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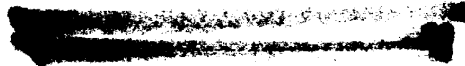


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PREFACE

THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] MISSIONS 1017, 1019 AND 1021 DATED 29 MAY 1964 AND COVERING LAOS.

ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN SECTIONS --

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGES, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

TARGETS IN EACH OF THE SECTIONS ARE ARRANGED 1) BY COUNTRY, 2) WITHIN THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 3) WITHIN THE SUBJECT BY WAC AREA, AND 4) WITHIN THE WAC AREA BY GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN ASCENDING ORDER. AN EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND PHOTO REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN

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THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1:250,000.

THE USER OF THIS MCI IS CAUTIONED THAT THE SCAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AND OFTEN WITHOUT THE AID OF PRECISE ANALYTICAL AND MENSURAL TECHNIQUES COMMONLY EMPLOYED IN DETAILED PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALTHOUGH THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HEREIN IS ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, ADDITIONAL, DETAILED ANALYSIS MAY SOMEWHAT ALTER PORTIONS OF THE INFORMATION.

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SECTION I

THIS SECTION PROVIDES SUMMARY INFORMATION FOR A) NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS, B) PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS WHICH SHOW A CHANGE, AND C) ALL TARGETS SHOWING ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>-LAOS-</p> <p>AIR INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>LAO BAO AIRFIELD</p> <p>0.4 NM NE OF LAO BAO AT UTM XD696368.</p> <p>APPROXIMATELY 1,100 X 65 FT NE/SW SOD RUNWAY</p> <p>APPEARS ABANDONED AND IS UNSERVICEABLE.</p> <p>SUPPORT AREA SOUTH OF RUNWAY CONTAINS 2</p> <p>BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDINGS, 3 SUPPORT</p> <p>BUILDINGS, AND ONE SHED, ALL IN DETERIORATED</p> <p>CONDITION. AREA IS HEAVILY OVERGROWN AND</p> <p>APPEARS ABANDONED.</p> <p>AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	1636N 10635E	0617	[REDACTED]	272-A
<p>BAN SI NHO AIRFIELD</p> <p>2.4 NM SE OF BAN SI NHO.</p> <p>2,700 X 100 FT ENE/WSW SOD RUNWAY,</p> <p>UNSERVICEABLE.</p> <p>FACILITIES INCLUDE AN UNOCCUPIED 6-GUN AAA</p> <p>SITE ON NORTH SIDE OF RUNWAY.</p> <p>WORD -TAN- IS VISIBLE ON SOUTH SIDE OF RUNWAY.</p> <p>AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	1748N 10505E	0617		399-A
<p>ATTOPEU AIRFIELD</p> <p>NW EDGE OF ATTOPEU.</p> <p>4,700 X 50 FT NW/SE LATERITE RUNWAY,</p> <p>SERVICEABLE.</p> <p>FACILITIES INCLUDE ONE OPERATIONS BUILDING AT</p> <p>SE END OF RUNWAY ADJACENT TO PARKING</p> <p>AREA AND ONE BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDING</p>	1448N 10649E	0738	[REDACTED]	101

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<p>APPROXIMATELY 200 FT EAST OF PARKING APRON. AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>				
<p>BAN KHA NAM AREA, LANDING STRIP 4.5 NM NNW OF BAN KHA NAM AT UTM XC736285. 1,200 X 120 FT WNW/ESE SOD RUNWAY, SERVICEABLE. FACILITIES INCLUDE ONE RAZED SHED AND ONE WINDSOCK AT WNW END OF RUNWAY. AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	1538N 10636E	0738		103-H
<p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN LA NONG AREA, SUSPECT MILITARY AREA CIRCULAR TRENCH SYSTEM OBSERVED ON WEST SIDE OF ROUTE 23, 0.5 NM SOUTH OF BRIDGE OVER THE SE BANG HIENG (RIVER) AT UTM XC030991.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	1613N 10600E	0617		375-A
<p>MUONG PHINE, MILITARY AREA NO APPARENT CHANGE IN AREA B SINCE MISSION</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>AREA A -- NOT OBSERVED.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	1632N 10602E	0617		192
<p>BAN SOUTOUAT AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY THREE DEFENSE POSITIONS IN BAN SOUTOUAT</p>	1442N 10639E	0738		101-G

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<p>VICINITY.</p> <p>AREA A (3.7 NM ENE OF BAN SOUTOUAT ON SOUTH EDGE OF ROUTE 18 AT 14-42N 106-39E) -- DEFENSE POSITION CONTAINS 2 TRENCH SECURED AREAS WITH APPROXIMATELY 30 BUILDINGS, ONE BUNKER, AND APPROXIMATELY 10 PROBABLE BUNKERS. TWO BUILDINGS OBSERVED BETWEEN THE 2 AREAS. NUMEROUS PERSONNEL OBSERVED.</p> <p>AREA B (4.8 NM ENE OF BAN SOUTOUAT AT 14-42N 106-40E) -- TRENCH SECURED ROAD CHECKPOINT CONTAINS 8 BUILDINGS, ONE PROBABLE BUNKER, AND 2 AW POSITIONS. NUMEROUS PERSONNEL OBSERVED. PERIMETER TRENCHING CUTS ROUTE 18 AT LEAST TWICE.</p> <p>AREA C (10.2 NM ENE OF BAN SOUTOUAT AT 14-46N 106-44E) -- TRENCH SECURED STRONGPOINT SOUTH OF ROUTE 18 CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 10 BUILDINGS, 2 WALLED AMMUNITION STORAGE AREAS, 3 AW POSITIONS, AND APPROXIMATELY 10 OTHER AW POSITIONS. A ROAD CHECKPOINT CONTAINS ONE BUILDING AND A TRENCH PARTIALLY CUTTING ROUTE 18. SEVERAL ABANDONED AW POSITIONS AND TRENCHES OBSERVED NORTH OF ROUTE 18.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>ATTOPEU AREA, MILITARY AREAS FOUR MILITARY AREAS IN ATTOPEU VICINITY.</p> <p>AREA A (UTM XB943387) -- STRONGPOINT CONTAINS ONE BUILDING, TRENCHING, AW POSITIONS, AND NUMEROUS FOXHOLES. TRIANGULAR TRENCH SYSTEM OBSERVED IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF AREA ACROSS</p>				
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UNNUMBERED ROAD. AREA B (UTM XB960374) -- FENCE AND TRENCH SECURED STRONGPOINT CONTAINS ONE LARGE BUILDING, APPROXIMATELY 10 SMALL BUILDINGS, 3 LARGE REVETMENTS, AND SEVERAL AW POSITIONS. AREA C (UTM XB969364) -- FENCE AND TRENCH SECURED AREA CONTAINS 4 LARGE BARRACKS, 3 ADMINISTRATION-TYPE BUILDINGS, ONE PROBABLE VEHICLE SHED, APPROXIMATELY 10 SUPPORT BUILDINGS, AND ONE BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION. AREA D (UTM XB980359) -- STRONGPOINT IMMEDIATELY SE OF ATTOPEU ACROSS RIVER CONTAINS 30 BUILDINGS ENCLOSED BY A TRENCH SYSTEM. <div data-bbox="126 1455 735 1545"></div> ATTOPEU AREA, STRONGPOINT 5 NM EAST OF ATTOPEU AT UTM YB078373. STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 12 BUILDINGS AND NUMEROUS AW/LIGHT AAA POSITIONS ENCLOSED BY TRENCHING. TRENCHING AND NUMEROUS AW POSITIONS OBSERVED SCATTERED THROUGHOUT ATTOPEU AREA. <div data-bbox="133 1745 604 1808"></div>	1448N 10655E	0738		101-I

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SECTION II

THIS SECTION PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM PREVIOUS TARGET DESCRIPTION. THE MISSION NUMBER SHOWN ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE (E.G., NAC 9000) REFERS TO THE MCI WHICH CONTAINS THE MOST ADEQUATE DESCRIPTION OF THAT TARGET. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

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<div>-LAOS-</div> <div>AIR INSTALLATIONS</div> <div>TCHEPONE AIRFIELD</div> <div></div>	1643N 10612E	0617		124

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COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

Following the photo reference data, symbols indicate conditions which affect the appearance of the installation on the photography. The symbols are: C (clear); SC (scattered clouds); HC (heavy clouds); SC-HC (scattered-to-heavy clouds); H (haze); CS (cloud shadow); SD (semi-darkness); O (obliquity); and PQ (poor image quality).

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